

HOGAN & HARTSON L.L.P.

500 SOUTH GRAND AVENUE
SUITE 1900
LOS ANGELES, CA 90071

Tel.: (213) 337-6700
Fax: (213) 337-6701

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 15 2006

IMPORTANT NOTICE
TELECOPY/FACSIMILE COVER LETTER

WASHINGTON, DC
BRUSSELS
BUDAPEST*
LONDON
MOSCOW
PARIS*
PRAGUE*
TOKYO
WARSAW
BEIJING
BALTIMORE, MD
BOULDER, CO
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO
DENVER, CO
IRVINE, CA
MCLEAN, VA
MIAMI, FL
NEW YORK, NY (THIRD AVE)
ROCKVILLE, MD

*Affiliated Office

TO: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez
Art Unit: 1731

FROM: Lawrence J. McClure

DATE: February 15, 2006
TIME: _____

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES, INCLUDING COVER: 2

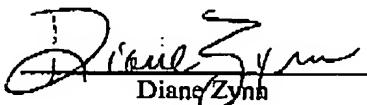
The attached information is **CONFIDENTIAL** and is intended only for the use of the addressee(s) named above. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient(s) or the employee or agent responsible for delivering the message to the intended recipient(s), please note that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. Anyone who receives this communication in error should notify us immediately by telephone and return the original message to us at the above address via the U.S. Mail.

MESSAGE:

RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.:10/722,157; Our Ref. 81863.0024
I hereby certify that the following document:

- Response to Restriction Requirement
- is being facsimile transmitted to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, for filing in the above application.

February 15, 2006



Diane Zynn

TELECOPY/FAX NUMBER: (571) 273-8300 Art Unit 1731

CLIENT NUMBER: 81863.0024

ATTORNEY BILLING NUMBER: 1966

CONFIRMATION NUMBER: (please return fax to Diane Zynn)

PATENT
81863.0024

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Shuzo IWASHITA, et al.

Serial No: 10/722,157

Filed: November 25, 2003

For: PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMICS AND
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE
SAME, ACTUATOR AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME,
PRINTING HEAD AND INK JET
PRINTER

Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 15 2006

I hereby certify that this correspondence
is being transmitted via facsimile to
(571) 273-8300:
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

February 15, 2006

Date of Deposit

Diane Lynn

Name

 2/15/06
Signature Date

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 18, 2006, Applicants elect, without traverse, for prosecution Group III, Claims 6-13, drawn to a method of manufacturing piezoelectric ceramics comprising firing a green compact, classified in class 264, subclass 671.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,
HOGAN & HARTSON L.L.P.

By:


 Lawrence J. McClure
 Registration No. 44,228
 Attorney for Applicant(s)

Date: February 15, 2006

500 South Grand Avenue Suite 1900
 Los Angeles, California 90071
 Telephone: 213 337-6700
 Facsimile: 213 337-6701